

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1-5. (Canceled)
6. (Previously presented) A liquid container comprising:
  - a hollow container body capable of accommodating any desired liquid, the body having a longitudinal axis;
  - a neck extending upward from a top portion of the container body;
  - a mouth disposed at the top end of the neck; the body, neck and mouth being arranged so liquid can flow between the body and mouth via the neck;
  - the neck comprising a flexible portion between the body and upper neck portion, the axis extending through the flexible portion, the flexible portion being arranged to be inclined sideways relative to the longitudinal axis; and
  - said flexible portion having a flange extending in a radial direction from the lower end of the upper neck portion, the flange-shaped part being formed to enable the neck to be deformed in the vertical direction.
7. (Previously presented) The liquid container according to Claim 6, wherein said flexible portion is formed as to permit holding the flange-shaped part in an upward deformed state and in a downward deformed state.
8. (Previously presented) The liquid container according to Claim 6, wherein said flexible portion includes a plurality of concave dimples on the periphery of the flange, the dimples being disposed at intervals in the circumferential direction of the flexible part.

9. (Previously presented) The liquid container according to Claim 7, wherein said flexible portion includes a plurality of concave dimples positioned on the periphery of the flange, and disposed at intervals in the circumferential direction of the flexible portion.
10. (Previously presented) The liquid container according to Claim 6, wherein said container body, neck and flexible part are formed as one piece of the same material.
11. (Previously presented) The liquid container according to Claim 7, wherein said container body, neck and flexible part are formed as one piece of the same material.
12. (Previously presented) The liquid container according to Claim 8, wherein said container body, neck and flexible part are formed as one piece of the same material.
13. (Previously presented) The liquid container according to Claim 9, wherein said container body, neck and flexible part are formed as one piece of the same material.
14. (Previously presented) A liquid container comprising:  
a hollow body for holding a liquid, the body having a longitudinal axis;  
a neck in fluid flow relation between the hollow body and a mouth; the neck having a flexible portion (a) that can be tilted relative to the axis, (b) through which the longitudinal axis extends while the flexible portion is not tilted, and (c) that enables the neck to move longitudinally in the direction of the axis, the neck including a bulbous shaped upper portion having a lower edge, the lower edge having an intersection with an upper edge of the flexible portion, the intersection having a perimeter less than the

perimeters of the adjoining parts of the bulbous shaped and flexible portions.

15. (Currently Amended) The liquid container according to claim 14 wherein the flexible portion extends outwardly and longitudinally of the axis from the intersection so that an edge of the flexible portion remote from the intersection with the bulbous portion intersects an edge of a pleat, the pleat extending toward its edge outwardly from the axis and longitudinally ~~if~~ of the axis toward the flexible portion.